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## SECOND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 30, 2004 in the subject U.S. patent application, please amend the application, as filed, as amended by the Preliminary Amendment filed April 2, 2002, the Amendment filed March 4, 2004, and the Amendment After Final Rejection filed June 25, 2004 and entered in response to the filing of an RCE on July 16, 2004, as follows: